#### **Executive Update**

Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker's Weekly Newsletter

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# Message from County Executive Walker

The Milwaukee Regional Medical Center on the county grounds is one of the biggest economic engines in the region. Today, I spoke to the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents to state my strong support for a new School of Engineering on the county grounds (http://www.jsonline.com/watch/?watch=1&date=6/8/20 07&id=24752). I was joined by County Board Chairman Lee Holloway and Supervisor Michael Mayo, who both expressed their support for the proposal.

With the expansion of the Medical College of Wisconsin, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Froedert Hospital and the Blood Center of Southeastern Wisconsin on the medical center grounds, it is a perfect site to locate a new school of engineering - particularly in the area of bioengineering. Add to that the growth of the Milwaukee County Research Park with GE Healthcare and one can quickly see the economic impact to Wauwatosa, Milwaukee County and the entire region.

Prior to this announcement, I met with UWM officials on numerous occasions and got them connected to the board leadership and to officials in the City of Wauwatosa. There is a growing base of support and this is another sign that great things are happening in Milwaukee County.

#### Scott



#### **Wheelchair Games Ride**



County Executives Walker and Vrakas meet with riders

County Executive Walker participated in a motorcycle ride on Sunday, June 3 to raise awareness for the 27<sup>th</sup> National Veterans Wheelchair Games (NVWG) being held in Milwaukee County June 19 – 23.

The NVWG are being hosted by the Milwaukee VA Medical Center and the Wisconsin Chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America.

The public is invited to attend the games and cheer on participants. For a schedule of events, visit their website at <a href="https://www.wheelchairgames.org">www.wheelchairgames.org</a>.

#### Walker Attends UW System Board of Regents Meeting

County Executive Walker was joined by Chairman Lee Holloway and Supervisor Michael Mayo at the UW System Board of Regents meeting this morning. The university announced plans to work with community donors to acquire unused land on the County Grounds in Wauwatosa for its proposed \$143 million engineering campus.

## **Torch Run Supports Special Olympics**



County Executive Walker addressed participants and carried the torch at the kick-off ceremony of the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run Thursday, June 6. Law enforcement and military personnel ran a fundraiser relay to Stevens Point – the site of the 2007 Special Olympics Wisconsin State Summer Games.

#### Walker Thanks University School



County Executive Walker visited fifth grade students at University School and presented them with a proclamation to thank them for their efforts in cleaning up Brown Deer Park. Students collected 351 pounds of trash and 65.5 pounds of recyclables.

### Walker Congratulates 25-year Employees



County Executive Walker congratulated employees at the Department of Transportation and Public Works at their 25-year recognition breakfast. He presented certificates to: Diane Gawronski, Gregory Hetzel, Christopher Lukas, Mark Wright, Linda Sellers and Alvin Webster. DTPW Airport and Facilities Management Department and Division heads honored the employees for their many years of service.

#### Introduce a Child to Golf at Annual Event

This weekend, June 9 and 10, five Milwaukee County golf courses will offer free golf to each child accompanied by a parent or guardian who pays to play during the annual Golf Wisconsin Weekend event. The Golf Course Owners of Wisconsin along with the Wisconsin Department of Tourism and the Wisconsin InnKeepers Association worked with the Parks Department to offer this special at the following parks courses: Lake, Doyne, Noyes, Madison and Zablocki. For more information go to countyparks.com, or call the Milwaukee County Parks Golf Office at (414) 257-8024.

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